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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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For: IMMUNOLOGICAL LATEX TURBIDIMETRY METHOD AND REAGENT  
THEREFOR

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2006, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

**REMARKS**

The present invention relates to an immunological latex turbidimetry method and reagent.

In the Final Office Action of June 6, 2006, it is appreciated that the Examiner has withdrawn the non-reiterated rejections of the Office Action of November 17, 2005. However, claims 1, 4, 6, and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on the previously cited Hunter et al reference in view of the newly-cited Dosa et al reference (Immunology, 1979, 38, pages 509